







## FORBIDDEN.

### The Importation of American Cattle Into France.

#### On Account of Alleged Fever and Pleuro-Pneumonia in Texas.

High Chinese Officials Report All Huns' Power Mission. They say the Huns have Full Power to Close the Negotiations Without Referring to Peking.

PARIS, Feb. 25.—At the cabinet meeting Sunday M. Gaudard, minister of agriculture, made an order in council forbidding the importation of American cattle into France, on account of the Texas fever and pleuro-pneumonia with which they are alleged to be infected. This order is undoubtedly the outcome of the persistent protectionist agitation in the rural districts in the north of France. Even the new cabinet entered office M. Gaudard has been besieged by Agrarian deputations and petitioners.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—The Central News correspondent in Peking says: "High officials here express the hope that Li Hung Chang's appointment to peace envoy will be acceptable to Japan. He will have full power to close the negotiations without referring matters to Peking. The time and place of the negotiations have not been determined."

The Central News correspondent in Tokio says the naval reports from Wei-Hai-Wei mention eleven foreigners who were captured with the island forts last surrendered by the Chinese. Ten of them were taken to no further part in the present war, and were set free. George Howie, the American, came east on a scheme to blow up Japanese vessels with submarine infernal machines, has been detained aboard the Japanese flagship pending the decision of his fate. The Japanese made a reservation as to Howie in the articles of capitulation. They are inclined to treat him severely, as he was set free on parole after his arrest aboard the steamer Sydney, yet he lost no time in breaking his word and placing his services at the disposal of the Chinese.

The Japanese marines who were killed in the early torpedo attacks on the Chinese fleet at Wei-Hai-Wei, were buried with military honors. The Japanese report speaks highly of Adm. Ting and the orders which he gave, just before his suicide, to direct the course of his officers in completing the arrangements for the surrender.

The Central News correspondent in Hsi-Cheng telegraphs, under date of February 21, that Lieut. Gen. Katsura reported that the Chinese force which had formerly held the island of Liao was treated to New-Chung. The Chinese forces at Lukung and Sataien were about five thousand strong, and had twelve guns. Li King, the Chinese general, had some four thousand. The garrisons of New-Chung and Ying-ko seemed to have been decreased.

**Notified by Shooting.**

THEIR HATE for the people of the Huddell Milling Co., committed suicide Sunday morning by shooting himself through the heart. Just before doing so he fired three shots at Mrs. Walker, neither of which struck her. He had two pistols, and used one to shoot at Mrs. Walker and one to kill himself. He had not dressed for the day when he did the shooting. He has been ill for several days, and was taking medicine for pains in his head. He leaves three children. Mrs. Walker is a daughter of the late Theodore Huddell, the founder of the Huddell Milling Co., which has mills in several places in the west.

**Angel Couple Cremated.**

HADAM, Ct., Feb. 25.—Two people on a way to church Sunday morning, about a mile back of the village of Hadam, met what is known as "Hog's Hill," were surprised to see that Thomas Cavanaugh's house was a mass of ruins, with only here and there a bit of smoke arising from the dying ember. A search of the ruins was begun. The searchers soon came upon a man's body, badly burned and barely recognizable. Near by was found a bone, all that remained of the woman's body. From the location, it was concluded that the couple, who were about 60 years old, were asleep at the time the fire started, and were burned in their bed.

**Death of Gen. Carr.**

THOY, N. Y., Feb. 25.—Maj. Gen. Joseph B. Carr, of this city, died at his home on Fifth avenue at 10 o'clock Sunday morning, after a long illness of long standing, though he was confined to his bed only about six weeks. Cause of the jaw and throat was the cause of death. Gen. Carr has figured largely in republican state politics for many years. Three times he has been elected secretary of state of New York, and once was the party's choice for lieutenant governor. There will be a military funeral Wednesday afternoon, under the direction of the Third regiment staff.

**Accidentally Killed His Mother.**

SUNBURY, Ind., Feb. 25.—In Green township, Morgan county, Sunday morning, a boy, 17 years old, named Mrs. A. J. Flake and her 17-year-old son. Saturday, while seated at her sewing machine, her son came into the room with a loaded shotgun in his hand, which he accidentally dropped, when it was discharged, the contents striking the head and killing her mother, inflicting wounds which will prove fatal. The son is almost distracted over the sad accident and it is feared he will lose his mind or do himself bodily injury.

**Snailpox Quarantine.**

MALVERN, Ark., Feb. 25.—On account of numerous cases of snailpox reported in Hot Springs, the board of health here instituted strict quarantine against that city Sunday morning. It was ordered that no person should be allowed to enter Hot Springs from Malvern until the snailpox had been eradicated.

**"Horse-Dull" Car.**

It is over three years old. The melody was formerly known as "The Queen's Jig."

## TRAPPED.

Twenty Convicts in a Burning Mine—Two Dead and the Others Almost Suffocated.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 25.—A fire occurred in rock slabs of the Penna. and Iron and Railroad Co. mines, at Pratt City, Sunday morning, that resulted in the death of John Patton and Louis Stevens, two miners, and more or less serious injury to eighteen others. Twenty miners, all convicts, were in the rock slabs, none of them at 1200 o'clock. Sunday morning, when they detected the smell of smoke, and shortly afterward an immense volume of smoke began to fill the mine, and the men began to flee toward them from the engine room, which was between the air shaft and the cage leading out of the mine. The engine usually contains no fire, but is used to pump compressed air into the mines, hence the origin of the fire, which started in the engine room, is a mystery.

Driven by the smoke, the twenty men hurried to the air shaft, and there huddled together to keep from suffocating. Meanwhile the smoke became thicker, as the fire issuing from the engine room, and several others, just on the outside a lot of waste and oil, and burned furiously. Breathing became an affair of extreme difficulty. Twenty-five of the stable in the mine also felt the smoke and tried to escape, and tore about, kicking one another to death and making hideous wailing with their cries.

John Patton and Louis Stevens finally left the crowd at the air shaft, and tried to get to the cage shaft, but the latter never reached it, but were afterward found beneath the engine rooms. One of the men had his head beaten almost to pulp, indicating that he had tried to kill himself rather than succumb to death. Smoke seen issuing from the shaft helped help in the cage, and in three hours the fire was out and the 18 men at the air shaft were brought up in a more or less serious condition. The 18 men were all killed, worth \$3,000, were suffocated or killed by one another's kicks. News as to the condition of the rescued convicts is that they will recover.

## EXPLORATIONS IN ASIA.

**Geographical Information of Value.**

SAFRANCO, Cal., Feb. 25.—Advices from Shanghai, by steamer, give some interesting details about the expedition of the French explorer, DuRoi de Phins, near L'Hass, last June, furnished by his companion, M. Grenaud, who reached Shanghai January 15. The two explorers started out in 1891, and the first year was spent in Chinese Turkistan, climbing high mountains and crossing rivers. They failed to reach the top of the mountains.

The third year they were successful in crossing the mountains, and they penetrated within three days' journey of L'Hass. Though they had Chinese passports the Lamas were very hostile, and when they reached the Upper Yang-Tze they were attacked by robbers, who, Grenaud learned, were incited to this crime by Lamas. In this attack DuRoi was killed. Grenaud, who was the only survivor, was taken to the Chinese capital, where he will be valuable to geographers, as they traveled through countries which Rockwell did not reach, and which were never explored before by Europeans or Asiatics. The highest altitude reached was 20,000 feet.

**Vessels Lost at Sea.**

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 25.—The loss of life at sea this winter have been greater than during any corresponding period within the recollection of sailors. The number of vessels lost in the wharves. It has been years since so many Philadelphia vessels have been lost, and the local mariners can not attempt at this time to figure out just what number of policies they will have to pay, as it is contended that the loss of vessels is due to the recent storms have not yet come to light.

**Burned at a Masked Ball.**

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Mrs. John Sengard, 24 years of age, living at 3118 Dearborn street, will probably die, as the result of burns received while attending a masked ball at the South Side Y. M. C. A. hall, where she was burned by a fire which was accidentally ignited by one of the maskers who was impersonating a Mephistopheles. She was enveloped in flames in an instant.

**Hit by a Mad Dog.**

ENGLISH, Ind., Feb. 25.—Physicians were called from here to Ellet, where four men were bitten by a mad dog. The animal was a large English mastiff and was attacked by seven men, who had a hard battle before killing him. The wounds of the four cause much uneasiness.

**Accidentally Killed His Brother.**

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Feb. 25.—Sunday morning while J. Myers and wife were at church, near Van Clereville, their two children, Frank and Charlie, found Mr. Myers' revolver, and while playing with it Charlie shot Frank in the forehead, killing him instantly.

**Greenback at Its Head.**

PRIMA, Ill., Feb. 25.—A company is being formed here for the purpose of erecting two distilleries, with a capacity of 15,000 bushels each. It is understood that the J. M. Greenback is to be in charge of the company. The work is to begin at once.

**Memorial Against the Pooling Bill.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—A memorial from the legislature of Florida was presented to the senate Saturday, protesting against the pooling bills as a plan to place the railroads in the hands of a few syndicate and thus to bring competition under the iron heel of monopoly.

**Sailor's Body Found.**

FIRE ISLAND, N. Y., Feb. 25.—The body of Capt. Wm. E. Squires, of the U. S. S. Albatross, was found on the beach at Shinnecock, Capt. Squires was 55 years old, single, and leaves a widow and two children.

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## WALCOTTS' IDEA

### Nine Men Wanted as a Monetary Commission.

#### An Important Amendment to the Sundry Civil Bill.

The Commission to Be Named by the President on Invitation of Foreign Governments to Investigate the Monetary Situation in the United States.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—In the senate, immediately after the reading of Friday's journal, Mr. Wolcott (rep., Cal.) gave notice of an amendment of the sundry civil appropriation bill providing that whenever the president of the United States on the invitation of the government of Germany or Great Britain, or any of the governments of Europe, shall determine that the government of the United States shall be represented at any international or other conference to be held with a view to secure internationally and to fix the relative value between gold and silver as money, by means of a common ratio between those metals, with free coinage at such ratio, he shall be authorized to require the attendance of nine commissioners, to be appointed as follows: Three by the president, and with the advice and consent of the senate; three members of the house of representatives, and three senators of the next congress, and appropriating \$100,000 for the pay and expenses of the commissioners, and for the share of the United States in the expenses of the conference.

It was with much hesitation, Mr. Wolcott said, and after consultation with others that the amendment was offered.

The chief embarrassment had arisen from the fact that it might have been construed as indicating an undue desire on the part of the United States that other countries should enter into some agreement for international bimetalism. But, inasmuch as nine months had to elapse between the adjournment of this congress and the meeting of the next, and inasmuch as the president of the United States should be called upon to act with other nations in some conference looking to international agreement regarding gold and silver, "would be powerless to act, except by the appointment of commissioners, and would be unable to clothe them with proper authority or to have funds for the representation of the United States or for the share of the expenses of the conference, it seemed wise to offer the amendment now."

The proposition, Mr. Wolcott thought, would be satisfactory to the metallists who voted for bimetalism, and it should be equally satisfactory to those bimetalists who professed adhesion to bimetalism, but voted against it. (Laughter.)

The president would naturally, Mr. Wolcott added, select the three commissioners whom he would appoint men outside of public life. The two houses would select men best fitted to act in the matter.

**Kentucky's New Appellate Judges.**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 25.—The vacancy on the appellate bench was filled Saturday morning, when George H. Eastin was sworn in as the fourth appellate judge, and the new court heard an argument for the first time as organized, with seven justices as the constitution provides. A large number of lawyers and many state officers were present. Chief Justice Pryor presented the commission of Maj. Eastin, to the clerk, immediately after Sergeant Hill called the court to order, and requested the new judge to take the oath of office, which was administered by Deputy Clerk Greene. Judge Eastin took the seat on the west end of the bench.

**The Carlyle Memorial.**

LONDON, Feb. 25.—The Daily News editorially Saturday: "Yesterday's speeches will undoubtedly bring money enough to purchase and maintain a Carlyle house. It will be a memorial, not only to Carlyle, but to Mill, Mazzini, Tennyson, Thackeray, Dickens, Emerson, Lincoln, Frodo and a host of Carlyle's contemporaries. What the house has been and may be in the way of inspiration to other great speakers of the marquis of Ripon and Ambassador Bayard will indicate."

**National Butter and Cheese Men.**

ROCKFORD, Ill., Feb. 25.—A number of delegates have arrived here to attend the sessions of the annual convention of the National Butter and Cheese Manufacturers' Association of America, which will begin Monday. Letters already received by Secretary Burridge indicate that the attendance will exceed that of any former convention, and that those who have arrived are President Allen, Secretary Burridge and other officers of the association. The session will continue until Thursday of next week.

**Female College Burned.**

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 25.—The Beaver Female college, located at Beaver, Pa., was destroyed by fire at 7 o'clock Saturday morning. The students all escaped safely, and no one was injured. The building was a complete wreck. The value of the property destroyed has not been ascertained. The insurance is \$70,000.

**A Bishop Among Thieves.**

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Bishop R. H. Haile, of Cairns, was the victim of a group of thieves, and by their work is three robes valued at \$100 and jewelry worth \$200. The thieves carried off the bishop's valuable white was pure, taking a ticket at the railway station.

**Gold From England.**

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The American line steamer "Albatross," which arrived Sunday morning from Southampton, brings thirty-five boxes of gold bars, valued at \$1,470,000, to August Belmont & Co.

## CONDENSED NEWS

Gathered From All Parts of the Country by Telegraph.

Chakir Pasha is en route to Berlin with the Damascus slave sent by the sultan to the German emperor.

Medical Inspector Frank T. Dubois, U. S. N., stationed at Portsmouth navy yard, died from an apoplectic stroke.

It is reported that there has been severe fighting between the British naval force and the natives of Brass, on the coast of Africa.

Jason Rogers, of Decatur, Ill., ex-senator and ex-railroad and warehouse commissioner, died in Chicago, of pneumonia, complicated with Bright's disease.

Fire destroyed part of Prince Frederick's august palace in Presden, the whole collection of curios which he brought back from his eastern travels was ruined.

Rebels from Tangier says that rebel tribesmen have entered and looted the city of Morocco. A British man-of-war has arrived at Tangier from Gibraltar.

Fred Brooks and sister Ella, each aged 30, were killed Sunday by a Baltimore & Ohio freight train at Mansfield, O. They were crossing the track in a buggy, and were ground to pieces.

A 20-pound weight dropped from the top of a new shaft near Arcadia, Ind., and, grazing the shoulder of J. K. Johnson, buried itself in the ground. All the muscles were torn from Johnson's shoulder.

Andrew and William Jordan, the leading grocers at St. Johns, N. F., were both suffocated by charcoal fumes entering their house from fires built in a new building next to their residence for the purpose of drying the planters.

At London, Ky., the jury in the murder case of Alex Tuttle for killing Speed Williams was dismissed. After being out several days they failed to agree. It is said eleven of the jury were for hanging and one for twenty-one years.

Five members of Al Shaback's family and a family by the name of Plumb were poisoned at Nevada, Mo., by eating wild parsnips. All who ate of the parsnips were taken violently ill. Doctors were called, and the result of the poisoning can not be told.

At Chicago Emanuel Barker, an expressman, twenty years old, shot and killed his wife, Carrie, and brother-in-law, Harry Barnard, and escaped after a 150-cello, 10 o'clock morning. The three are colored, and lived at 1810 State street, where the shooting took place. Jealousy was the cause of the shooting.

**Early Morning Fires.**

CINCINNATI, Feb. 25.—Two early morning fires in the east end kept the city quiet Sunday in Cincinnati. Both blazes were attended with exciting events, and in one case two firemen were badly injured, one probably fatally. The injured is Fred Wells, a man, driver of Engine Company No. 24, and Wm. Enjart, of the same company. The former's skull is fractured, and the latter's head is badly bruised and his nose broken.

## THE MARKETS.

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